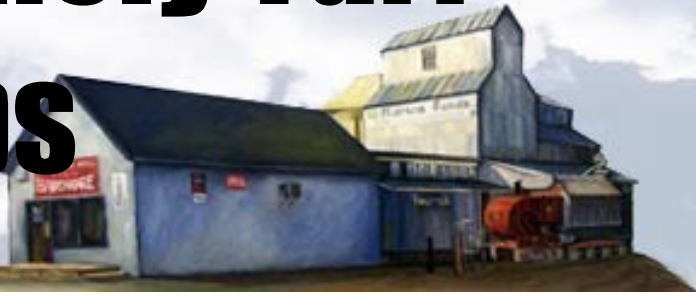


Timely Turf Tips

June 2023



Still plenty of time to plant the garden. Check out this University of Minnesota Extension web page for planting and growing guides, <https://extension.umn.edu/how/planting-and-growing-guides#watering-1147814>. There is information on starting a garden, composting, fertilizing, weeding, watering, harvesting, and storing vegetables. Click on the link to the Upper Midwest home gardening calendar to read “What to do”, “Best time to do it”, and “Okay time to do it” for many gardening tasks. Back on the planting and growing guide page, click on the Watering heading to see information on watering for the garden and for trees and shrubs, which is so very important during the dry spell occurring now.

June lawn and garden tips:

Remember to fertilize your lawn with an application of 25-0-15 fertilizer, now improved with 50% slow-release nitrogen, before mid-June if you have not applied any fertilizer this spring and have been watering the lawn.

Spray Weed Free Zone or Speedzone on creeping Charlie, clover, dandelions, and thistle once temperatures return to average highs and the lawn is not drought-stressed. Both products become rain-fast in 4 hours and allow reseeding within 2 weeks of application.

If you are growing strawberries, stop in for netting to protect them from the hungry birds. Fertilize June-bearing strawberries after harvest with a balanced fertilizer like 10-10-10.

Stay ahead of weeds by removing them before they become more established. Consider using organic mulch (2-4”) now that soil temps have increased to keep weeds out and help retain moisture.

All tomato and pepper plants can be planted now. If tomato plants are leggy, just plant them deeper to encourage rooting along the stem. Remember to stake or cage tomatoes after planting before they become too large.

Thin those early seeded crops like radishes, leaf lettuce and spinach to allow the young plants room to grow.

Rhubarb can be picked up to the end of the month. Remember to remove any flower stalks.

Consider fertilizing roses later this month, after the first wave of blossoms, with a complete low nitrogen fertilizer (1 T per plant.)

If some of your perennials are getting too big for their space, consider dividing them before the 3rd week of June.

For a good fall bloom, prune back garden chrysanthemums one final time near the end of the month.



Steve says that there is still time to plant tomatoes and peppers. Use the coupon below with your purchase. Greenhouse open: June hours are: Monday thru Friday - 9am to 7pm, Saturdays – 8am to 6pm, Sundays – 9am to 6pm

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